



**To:** Mayor Dodgen and Council Members  
Steve Parker, City Manager

**From:** Dale Skinner, Fire Chief

**Date:** October 4, 2024

**Re:** Purchase of Structural Firefighting Gear

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In order to remain current, the Fire Department must replace a certain number of structural fire fighting ensembles each year. All gear has a mandated retirement of 10 years by the Texas Commission on Fire Protection. The department needs to purchase/replace 20 sets of gear that includes coats and trousers. Staff is recommending the purchase of 20 sets of Lian V-Force gear from through Austin Buyboard cooperative purchasing agreement utilizing NAFECO, as the dealer, for the amount of \$80,860.

Purchases utilizing Buy Board are in compliance with state bidding requirements and allow local governments the benefit of volume discount pricing and an expedited procurement process.

Attached is the quote from NAFECO for your review. Staff is available to answer any questions you have regarding this matter.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "D. Skinner", written in a cursive style.

Dale Skinner  
Fire Chief